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Sir:

RESPONSE

Claims 1-18 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as claiming the same invention as U.S. Patent No. 6,605,293. A terminal disclaimer is being filed herewith to obviate the Examiner's rejection.

The application is now considered to be in condition for allowance, and an early indication of same is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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